

Fort Langley and District Board of Trade

An inventory of its fonds

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Fonds level description

TITLE: Fort Langley and District Board of Trade fonds [textual record]

DATES: 1947-1965

PHYSICAL DESC: 42 cm of textual records

BIO/ADMIN HIST: The Fort Langley and District Board of Trade was a nonprofit organization of persons from the local area (including Fort Langley, Walnut Grove, Willoughby, Glen Valley and Port Kells) interested in promoting economic development and collectively representing their concerns to government on public policy. The Fort Langley and District Board of Trade has its origins in 1910. After a period of inactivity the organization was later revived in 1947, to again become inactive after 1965, the area now being represented by the North Langley Chamber of Commerce. The Board was particularly active in promoting good transportation access to the area via highway, rail and ferry, dredging and dyking for flood control, mosquito control programs, and tourism, and in forging beneficial economic and cooperative links with other organizations. These included ties with the Associated Boards of Trade of the Fraser Valley and Lower Mainland, British Columbia Chamber of Commerce, Canadian Chamber of Commerce, Corporation of the Township of Langley, and the Fraser Valley Tourist Association. With respect to tourism, the Board supported development of the Fort Langley Historic Site and sponsored Douglas Day.

CUSTODIAL HIST: Custodial history is unknown

SCOPE/CONTENT: The fonds consists of by-laws, membership lists, minutes of board meetings, correspondence, reference files and press clippings relating to the administration and operations of the Fort Langley and District Board of Trade between 1947 and 1965. The fonds are arranged in five series: Organization Records, 1947-1965; Minutes of Meetings, 1947-1965; Correspondence and related material, 1951-1965; Reference Files, 1949-1965; and Press Clippings, 1956-62.

TITLE SOURCE: Title based on the contents of the fonds

SOURCE OF DONATION: Mrs. M. S. W. McKenzie, Secretary for Board

ARRANGEMENT: Records are arranged on the basis of an order introduced by the manuscript curator in the early 1970s

FINDING AIDS: Series description available as well as folder list

Series

TITLE: Organization Records

DATES: 1947-1965

PHYSICAL DESC: .5 cm of textual records

SCOPE/CONTENT: Series consists of by-laws, membership lists, some in the form of annual returns of the Fort Langley and District Board of Trade, summary of meetings held during 1951 and 1959, and an incomplete history of the organization.

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title based on the contents of the series

Series

TITLE: Minutes of meetings

DATES: 1947-1965

PHYSICAL DESC: 10 cm of textual records

SCOPE/CONTENT: Series consists of the minutes of general, annual and board meetings (1947-1965), executive meetings (1947-1963, and committee meetings (1947-49).

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title based on the contents of the series

Series

TITLE: Correspondence and related material

DATES: 1951-1965

PHYSICAL DESC: 15 cm of textual records

SCOPE /CONTENTS: Series consists of correspondence in the course of making and answering queries about community concerns and activities, promoting and coordinating Board activities and programs, and lobbying municipal, provincial and national government officers and agencies on behalf of its membership.

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title based on the contents of the series

ARRANGEMENT: Incoming correspondence is arranged alphabetically by correspondent, with separate files for the large correspondence with the Township of Langley, and BC Provincial and Federal governments. A subseries of outgoing letters is arranged chronologically. A portion of the material remains unsorted. The original order likely included correspondent and subject files ordered alphabetically.

File

TITLE: Correspondence with the Government of Canada

DATES: 1951-1965

PHYSICAL DESC: 1 cm of textual records

SCOPE/CONTENTS: File contains correspondence and related material, mainly incoming, with various branches and ministries of the federal government, addressing such concerns as railway crossings and lines, location and repair of the public wharf, and promotion of tourism, among others.

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title based on the contents of the file

NOTE: Related records may be found in the sub-series of outgoing correspondence, and in unsorted material. A link to records in the sub-series can be made by identifying the approximate date of the event, activity or query.

Item

TITLE: Letter from the Research Branch, Canada Department of Agriculture

DATE: 28 Feb. 1962

PHYSICAL DESC: 2 p.

SCOPE/CONTENT: Item is a letter in response to a request for information on the hazards of spraying the insecticide DDT for mosquito control.

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title is based on the contents of the item

Series

TITLE: Reference Files

DATES: 1949-1965

PHYSICAL DESC: 14 cm of textual records

SCOPE/CONTENT: Series consists of background information, including minutes, agendas, reports and published material, mainly accumulated as a result of membership in provincial and national Chambers of Commerce, and affiliation with other organizations having common concerns and activities such as the Fraser Valley Tourist Association and Township of Langley.

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title based on contents of the series

Series

TITLE: Press clippings

DATES: 1956-62

PHYSICAL DESC: 2.5 cm of textual records

SCOPE/CONTENT: Series consists of newspaper clippings relating to Board of Trade activities, community concerns and tourism

SOURCE OF TITLE: Title based on the contents of the series

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Box/Folder List

Box #	Folder #	Folder Title	Dates
1	1	Organization Records	
	2 – 6	Minutes: General meetings	1947-65
	7-9	Minutes: Executive meetings	1947-63
	10	Minutes: Committee meetings	1947-49
	11	Financial records	1951, 1956-57
	12	Correspondence: A – L	
2	13	Correspondence: Mac – Z	
	14	Correspondence: Government of British Columbia	
	15	Correspondence: Government of Canada	
	16	Correspondence: Township of Langley	
	17	Correspondence: Unsorted	
	18	Letters outgoing	
3	19	Reference Files: Miscellaneous	
	20	Reference Files: Associated Boards of Trade of the Fraser Valley and Lower Mainland	
	21	Reference Files: Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Lower Mainland	
	22	Reference Files: British Columbia Chamber of Commerce	
	23	Reference Files: Canadian Chamber of Commerce	
	24	Reference Files: Committee on water supply	
	25	Reference Files: Township of Langley	
	26-27	Reference Files: Fraser Valley Tourist Association	
	28	Press Clippings	